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First Navy Entertainment at Fraunces's Tavern Shadowed by Crisis.

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Lusitania Unmentioned, but Washington, "First in War," Is Lauded as Example.

Admiral Frank F. Fletcher and fiftyofficers of the Atlantic fleet met at old Frances' Tavern, Broad and Pearl Streets, yesternay afternoon for a drill n the light of recent events. James former United States Assistant Attorney General, was teacher. subject he took George Wash-first commander-in-chief of the States Army, who in 1783 part-m his officers in the room be-where the Sons of the Ameration entertained the naval

glamour of cherry trees and champion-ships in veracity. The Washington commended to Admiral Fletcher and his men was first in war and firm in the belief that an adequate army and navy comprise the best insurance against war.

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A sense of grave events impending cast a spell of seriousness over this first special entertainment of the navy officers. Glasses tinkled as merrily as ever. Jokes about Secretary Daniel's grape juice order and the temporary emancipation from it travelled around the tables until Robert Olyphant, president of the Sons of the Revolution of New York State, rapped for silence.

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In keeping with the traditions of the hosts and the historic associations of the place, the naval men and guests drank a first toast to George Wash-

In keeping with the traditions of the hosts and the historic associations of the place, the naval men and guests drank a first toast to George Washington.

Toast to Wilson.

The second was to Woodrow Wilson.

The present commander-in-chief of our army and navy," said President Olyphant, as glasses were raised: "May an all-wise Providence guide and keep him in this present crisis of the world's history."

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The Lusitania was not mentioned once. It was not necessary, for the disaster was uppermost in the men's minds, and the relation of national unpreparedness to the thing that went unmentioned was apparent to every the men well deserved shore leave and men well deserved shore leave and the men well d

unmentioned was apparent to every one.

Officers from the war vessels arrived at the Seventy-ninth Street float at 11:45 a. m., where they were met by the United States ship Vigilant and taken down the North River to the Battery. Automobiles transported the guests to Fraunces's Tavern.

As Admiral Fletcher, the rear admirals and the commanders arrived at the historic steps trod by many noted men in Washington's time a fife and drum corps in Colonial costume played "Yankee Doodle" and "Marching Through Georgia." Each officer saluted the colors held aloft by four color bearers. Clarence Winthrop Bowen and Philip Rhinelander, representing the Sons of the Revolution, stood in the front hall to greet each guest. Lawrence L. Gillespie and R. A. C. Smith, Commissioner of Docks and Ferries, escorted Admiral Fletcher to his place of honor at the guests' table. Breakfast was served at 12:30, with Mr. Olyphant presiding.

Fletcher Speaks for Navy.

Seated at the table with the president of the complained to the boatswain's matche was told to follow this rule: "Young man, do what is uncomfortable and then you'll be sure to be right."

Seated at the table with the president were James M. Beck, General Asa Bird Gardiner, Colonel Edwin G. Glenn, Rear Admiral De Witt Coffman, Taylor Olyphant, Commissioner R. A. C. Smith, Rear Admiral N. R. Usher, Acting Mayor George McAneny, George T. Wilson, Rear Admiral C. J. Boush, Samuel W. Fairchild, Rear Admiral Walter McLean, Brigadier General H. F. Hodges, Colonel Daniel Appleton, Captain Albert Gleaves, Captain Alexander S. Halstead, Philip Rhinelander, and complimented the Sons of the Revanded the Sons of the Sons of the Sons of the Sons of the Revanded the Sons of the Sons of

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Washington's "Be Ready," Beck's Slogan for Fleet

James M. Beck, former Assistant Attorney General, addressing officers of the Atlantic Fleet at Fraunces's Tayern yesterday, quoted the follow-ing words from Washington's sec-ond inaugural address:

"The United States ought not to indulge a persuasion that, contrary to the order of human events, they will forever keep at a distance those painful appeals to arms with which the history of every other nation abounds. There is a rank due the United States among nations which will be withheld, if not absolutely lost, by the reputation of weakness. If we desire to avoid insult, we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one

mate he was told to follow this rule:

Young man, do what is uncomfortable
and then you'll be sure to be right.

"Here is the difference between the
old navy and the new. Now we surround a man with conditions that will
make life attractive, and we get fine
results."

country."

Former Assistant United States Attorney General Beck, speaking of the grape juice regulation in the navy, read from the records of a dinner gives read from the records of a dinner giv-en at Fraunce's Tavern in 1783 to George Washington and the French Ambassador, at which 136 bottles of Madeira, thirty-six bottles of port, fifty bottles of English beer and thirty bowls of punch were consumed. "And the State of New York had to pay for sixty broken glasses and eight broken decanters," read Mr. Beck from his historical record of Washington's

present commander in chief of the present commander-in-chief of the United States army and navy was suggested in other remarks of Mr. Beck,

"Washington faced the problem of a "Washington faced the problem of a world which was in flames. Himself a man of peace, he frequently and force-fully warned his countrymen that they must always be prepared to defend their interests and vindicate the honor of the nation. If he was first in peace, he was always first in war. He was an always first in war. He was an always first in war. rdent lover of peace, with the vital eservation that when the choice lay etween peace with dishonor and war secure justice he never hesitated to ect the course of national honor and

The committee on arrangements for the breakfast consisted of Philip Rhinelander, James M. Beck, Clarence W. Bowen, Lawrence I. Gillespie, T. J. Oakley Rninelander and Robert Oly-

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and increasing the size and efficiency of the army.

Whatever the War and Navy departments ask from the next Congress, if the present temper lasts, they will be given without a question from the vast bulk of the members of the two houses. Due to the efficiency of the submarine, as shown by the campaign Germany has been waging against merchant craft, there is a strong desire to build an adequate fleet of underwater craft. With a view of being able to furnish more adequate protection both to merchant craft and the big fighting units of the fleet, there is just as much agitation among Congressmen for a **TEXAS ALSO GIVES** PLEDGE OF SUPPORT

Cardinal O'Connell Commends Noble-Mindedness of President's Address.

Springfield, Ill., May 11 .- President Wilson was to-day assured by a vote agitation among Congressmen for a larger number of torpedo boat de- of the Senate that the people of Illinois would indorse whatever action he Those Senators and Representatives might take "for maintaining the honor

Those Senators and Representatives who fought for more auxiliary and supply ships, to make the fighting fleet more effective, are much encouraged by this sentiment. They hope that it will not have come too late, and that the present crisis may be avoided, so that the United States will not have to go to war until it is better equipped.

Reports from Europe that submarines can be more easily detected from aeroplanes, and that aircraft have been of planes, and that aircraft have been of great assistance to the armies in de-

"ought to be read in ringing tones at your convention and at the meeting of every organization in America. Here is an expression of sentiment sublimely universal in tone and lofty human sentiment, which only makes our love of America greater because it founds itself on the natural love of every human heart for justice and truth and eliminates sectional jealousy and discord.

"It is the expression of a noble heart and a truly illumined, mind. It is sublimely eatholic and national at the same time—the broad love for our fellowman and the devotion to the country to which we have dedicated ourselves, while yearning for that eternal fatherland toward which our faith and hope are leading us. God bless our calm, noble and high-minded President."

IN WILSON'S POISE

Urges "Deliberation with Patience" That Reason May Prevail.

John D. Crimmins, who believes in time of stress in standing by the administration of the United States first, last and all the time, has sent the following letter to his friend, Joseph P. Tumulty, the President's secretary:

"The deplorable loss of American lives on the Lusitania absorbs the lives on the Lusitania absorbs the mind and thought of the Amefican people, as you are aware, and what should be the policy of the administration, which really confines itself to the President.

"The consenus of opinion among the many I have talked with is that deliberation with patience on the painful incident be the policy; that with the inflamed condition of the people's mind, we fear reason may not prevail.

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"We, as people, thank the good Lord that we have as our President one well poised and equal to the requirements of the moment. There has not been in the career of a President a more trying occasion, nor a time when the people of the country rested with more confidence in the wisdom of their Chief Executive."

New Yorker Heads A. W. A. Cincinnati, May 11.—Nicholas H. Hill, jr., of New York City, was elected president of the American Waterworks Association at the meeting to-day. SILVERSterling & Plate



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